

Leases.

22 U. S. C., Supp.
II, §§ 411-419.
Post, p. 20.

SEC. 4. Hereafter any ship, boat, barge, or floating drydock of the Navy may be leased in accordance with the Act approved March 11, 1941 (55 Stat. 31), but not otherwise disposed of, for periods not beyond the termination of the present wars, but title thereto shall remain in the United States.

Approved February 19, 1943.

[CHAPTER 7]

AN ACT

March 2, 1943

[S. 707]

[Public Law 2]

To provide for the appointment of an additional Assistant Attorney General.

Department of Jus-
tice.

Assistant Attorneys
General.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 348 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (U. S. C., title 5, sec. 295), be, and the same is hereby, amended to read as follows:

"There shall be in the Department of Justice six officers, learned in the law, called the Assistant Attorneys General, who shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, and shall assist the Attorney General and Solicitor General in the performance of their duties."

Approved March 2, 1943.

[CHAPTER 8]

JOINT RESOLUTION

March 2, 1943

[H. J. Res. 82]

[Public Law 3]

To provide urgent deficiencies in certain appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1943.

Urgent deficiency
appropriations, 1943.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to supply urgent deficiencies in certain appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1943, namely:

LEGISLATIVE

SENATE

Inquiries and in-
vestigations.

Per diem and sub-
sistence.

44 Stat. 688.
5 U. S. C. § 821;
Supp. II, § 823.

Reporting or trans-
cribing proceedings.
Post, p. 441.

56 Stat. 1068.
5 U. S. C., Supp.
II, § 29 note, § 26a
note.

For expenses of inquiries and investigations ordered by the Senate, including compensation to stenographers of committees, at such rate as may be fixed by the Committee to Audit and Control the Contingent Expenses of the Senate, but not exceeding 25 cents per hundred words, fiscal year 1943, \$200,000: *Provided*, That no part of this appropriation shall be expended for per diem and subsistence expenses except in accordance with the provisions of the Subsistence Expense Act of 1926, approved June 3, 1926, as amended.

To enable the Official Reporters of Debates of the Senate to pay employees of their office engaged in work connected with reporting or transcribing of official proceedings of the Senate additional compensation amounting to 10 per centum of their earned basic compensation as is not in excess of the rate of \$2,900 per annum, in accordance with the terms of Public Law 821, Seventy-seventh Congress, second session, approved December 22, 1942, \$676.17.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Special and select committees: For an additional amount for expenses of special and select committees authorized by the House, fiscal year 1943, \$250,000.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

OFFICE FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

WAR MANPOWER COMMISSION

Selective Service System: For an additional amount for the operation and maintenance of the Selective Service System, including the objects specified under the head "Selective Service System" in the Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1943, \$21,160,000: *Provided*, That such combined appropriation shall not be subject to the provisions of section 5 of such Appropriation Act nor to the provisions of the First Supplemental National Defense Appropriation Act, 1943, in paragraphs 3 and 13 under the head "Office for Emergency Management", title I, and section 203, title II.

Post, p. 441.

56 Stat. 415.

56 Stat. 422.

56 Stat. 707, 710, 721.

INDEPENDENT EXECUTIVE AGENCIES

THOMAS JEFFERSON BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION

For carrying out the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to enable the United States Commission for the Celebration of the Two-hundredth Anniversary of the Birth of Thomas Jefferson to carry out and give effect to certain approved plans", approved July 30, 1942, fiscal year 1943, \$50,000, to remain available until expended.

56 Stat. 728.
36 U. S. C., Supp.
II, § 149 note.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF TREASURER OF UNITED STATES

Salaries: For an additional amount for salaries, Office of Treasurer of the United States, fiscal year 1943, \$750,000.

Post, pp. 32, 448.

Approved March 2, 1943.

[CHAPTER 10]

AN ACT

To amend the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, to permit consolidations and mergers of domestic telegraph carriers, and for other purposes.

March 6, 1943

[S. 158]

[Public Law 4]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, is amended by adding at the end of Title II the following new section:

Communications
Act of 1934, amend-
ments.

48 Stat. 1070.

47 U. S. C. §§ 201-
221.

Post, pp. 11, 12.

"CONSOLIDATIONS AND MERGERS OF TELEGRAPH CARRIERS

"SEC. 222. (a) As used in this section—

"(1) The term 'consolidation or merger' includes the legal consolidation or merger of two or more corporations, and the acquisition by a corporation through purchase, lease, or in any other manner, of the whole or any part of the property, securities, facilities, services, or business of any other corporation or corporations, or of the control thereof, in exchange for its own securities, or otherwise.

"Consolidation or
merger."

"(2) The term 'domestic telegraph carrier' means any common carrier by wire or radio, the major portion of whose traffic and revenues is derived from domestic telegraph operations; and such term includes a corporation owning or controlling any such common carrier.

"Domestic telegraph
carrier."

"(3) The term 'international telegraph carrier' means any common carrier by wire or radio, the major portion of whose traffic and revenues is derived from international telegraph operations; and such

"International tele-
graph carrier."